## Amendments to the Specification:

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-- BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE FIGURES

Fig. 1 (oxo181) shows the % inhibition of the cellular proliferation for the given dilution (dilution curves for L6, L9, L12) using the cell line BxPC-3;

Fig. 2 (oxo098) demonstrates the inhibition resulting from esters L2, L13, L15, L18 in a cell

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